

STATE OF NEW YORK
LEGISLATURE OF ERIE COUNTY
BUFFALO, N.Y., NOVEMBER 8th, 2012 A.D.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY, that at a regular session of the Legislature of Erie County, held in the County Hall, in the City of Buffalo, on the 8th day of November 2012, A.D. a resolution was adopted, of which the following is a true copy:

WHEREAS, *Marykate Hoffman* received her Bachelor of Arts degree in History in 2005 and her Master of Science in Reading and Literacy in 2006, from the State University College at Geneseo, and;

WHEREAS, in 2009, *Marykate Hoffman* earned her certification in The Gow School's signature Reconstructive Language program, renowned for improving student skills with print language, and she was qualified as instructor of teachers in 2012, and;

WHEREAS, *Marykate Hoffman* co-authored a fluency development project for all 10th grade students at The Gow School in 2009, and;

WHEREAS, *Marykate Hoffman's* highly successful outcome led her to co-present Developing Reading Fluency – Why Student Awareness is Key to Success in 2010 at the International Dyslexia Association Conference, and;

WHEREAS, *Marykate Hoffman* served as president of the Western New York Branch of International Dyslexia Association in 2010, and;

WHEREAS, *Marykate Hoffman* continues to present on fluency, executive function coaching and other dyslexia-related topics, locally and nationally, and most recently, she guest-lectured for the State University College at Geneseo graduate reading program, and;

WHEREAS, *Marykate Hoffman* continues to develop innovative multisensory techniques in her Reconstructive Language classes and shares the successful methods with her colleagues through faculty training, and;

WHEREAS, *Marykate Hoffman* received the Innovator Award as Outstanding Teacher for 2012 from the International Multisensory Structured Language Education Council at the International Dyslexia Association Conference in Baltimore, Maryland on October 23rd 2012, and;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that this legislative body pause in its deliberations to recognize *Marykate Hoffman* and her outstanding work and dedication to the students of The Gow School.

Joseph C. Lorigo
Erie County Legislator –10th District

Robert M. Graber
Clerk of the Legislature of Erie County